Dewan.—This is not an easy matter. Kannada Education from the very bottom has to be improved and has to be linked with higher education. Also whether the medium of instruction should be Kannada is a very controversial matter. We shall wait and see how the Hyderabad scheme works.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao.—In Kolar, telugu is spoken. In C. and M. Station tamil is prevalent. It is not possible to make Kannada compulsory to all people in the State.

Reply of Government.—That is the view of Government. As there is a large section of the population which does not speak kannada it will not be right to compel them to take kannada. Kannada however has been given sufficient prominence in the University. Most of the students take kannada as the compulsory second language. Government therefore cannot at present commit themselves to the policy proposed. Any of the members here who are also on the Senate of the University may move the question in the University and if they recommend, Government will consider.

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SUBJECT No. 122.

Encouragement of Local Trades and Industries.

Messrs. Mahommed Sait, A. Krishna Rao, M. Venkatakrishnaiya and N. Desikachar, Mysore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—*Mr. Ananthaiah.*—To encourage local trades and industries in the State, all articles required for use in Government and other offices may be purchased to the extent available from local merchants and all orders placed with them for supply of articles so far as they are able to supply.

Reply of Government.—There is an order of Government on this subject. Last year the Dewan made a statement that the order should be brought to the notice of Heads of Departments. In all cases of purchase from outside a certificate is required that the particular article is not available locally. Local merchants should also be a little more enterprising. Government will be very much pleased if they come forward and undertake work. Government are prepared to issue a circular that local merchants should have the first chance of getting orders.

SUBJECT No. 123.

(1) Standardization of weights and measures.

(2) Sale of Standard Measures in Taluk Offices.

(1) Messrs. C. Venkataramaiya, G. Padmarajaiya, Channarayapatna Taluk.

(2) Mr. Anjaneya Setti, Pavagada Taluk.

(1) *Summary of discussion.*—There is no uniformity in the weights and measures now in use. Rules may be passed for the use of only standard weights and measures and any infringement of the rules made punishable.

(2) Standard measures may be made available for sale in taluk offices for the convenience of petty traders in rural parts, who cannot otherwise easily procure them.

Mr. Padmarajaiya.—Some legislation should be made in respect of stamping weights and measures.